

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Confirming the Appointment of Juana T. Casillas to the Tohono O'odham
Nursing Care Authority Board of Directors)**

RESOLUTION NO. 26-034

1 **WHEREAS,** the Legislative Council is vested with the power to "provide for, appoint, or
2 provide for the appointment of, and prescribe the duties and powers of
3 committees, boards, officers and agents" and "to promote, protect and provide
4 for public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tohono
5 O'odham Nation and its members" (Constitution, Article VI, Section 1(b) and
6 Section 1(c)(2)); and

7 **WHEREAS,** the Legislative Council has enacted and subsequently amended the Charter of the
8 Tohono O'odham Nursing Care Authority ("Charter"), which established a Board
9 of Directors to have ultimate accountability for the management of the Tohono
10 O'odham Nursing Care Authority (Tohono O'odham Code Title 17, Chapter 2,
11 Article IV, Section 4.1); and

12 **WHEREAS,** the Tohono O'odham Nursing Care Authority Board of Directors is comprised of
13 five Directors who are members of the Nation and are at least 21 years of age with
14 "sufficient experience, education and dedication to the improvement of elderly
15 health care for the O'odham to make sound judgements concerning that care"
16 (Charter, Article IV, Section 4.2.2.); and

17 **WHEREAS,** the Charter also provides that Directors serve staggered terms and that "[a]ll
18 terms shall be for four years, expiring on the 30th day of October of the fourth
19 year. No term shall expire except on the 30th day of October, notwithstanding the
20 month in which the Legislative Council confirms the appointment" or until their
21 successors are qualified and confirmed (Charter, Article IV, Sections 4.2.3. and
22 4.2.4.); and

23 **WHEREAS,** the Chairman of the Nation shall nominate, and the Legislative Council shall
24 confirm Directors to the Tohono O'odham Nursing Care Authority in accordance
25 with the Nation's regulations regarding Board Appointments (Charter, Article IV,
26 Sections 4.2.3.); and

27 **WHEREAS,** Chairman Verlon Jose has nominated Juana T. Casillas as a willing and qualified
28 candidate to serve as a Director on the Tohono O'odham Nursing Care Authority
29 Board of Directors; and

30 **WHEREAS,** the Health and Human Services and Rules Committees have reviewed the
31 Chairman's nomination and recommend confirmation of the appointment.
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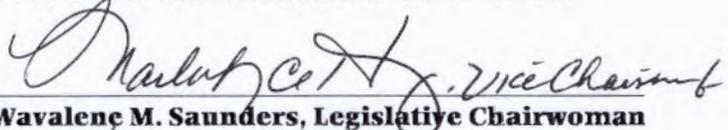
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1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council confirms the**
2 **appointment of Juana T. Casillas to the Tohono O'odham Nursing Care Authority**
3 **Board of Directors for a term beginning on the effective date of this resolution**
4 **and expiring October 30, 2030, provided that she shall continue to serve until her**
5 **successor has been confirmed and qualified.**

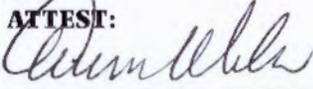
6 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 09TH**
7 **day of FEBRUARY 2026 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,581.45 FOR;**
8 **377.75 AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and 361.9[05] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the**
9 **Council by Article VI, Section 1(b) and 1(c)(2) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation,**
10 **adopted by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy**
11 **Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the**
12 **Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).**

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15 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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18 **Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman**

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20 17TH day of February, 2026

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24 **ATTEST:**

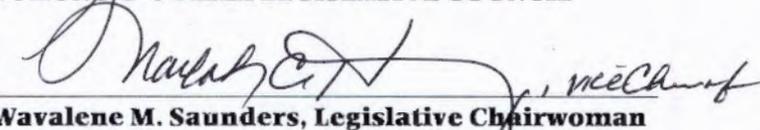
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27 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

28 13 day of February, 2026

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31 **Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono**
32 **O'odham Nation on the 17TH day of February, 2026 at 4:46 o'clock, p .m.,**
33 **pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become**
34 **effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48**
35 **hours of submittal.**

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41 **Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman**

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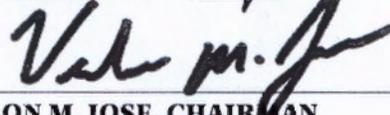
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1 [] **APPROVED**

on the 17 day of February 2026

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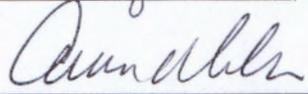
3 at 5:00 o'clock, P. m.

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8 **VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN**
9 **TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION**

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13 **Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 18 day of**

14 February, 2026, at 8:50 o'clock, a. m.

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18 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

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ACTION: CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JUANA T. CASILLAS TO THE TOHONO O'ODHAM NURSING CARE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN EVELYN JUAN MANUEL****SECOND: COUNCILMAN LUCIUS E. LOPEZ****DATE: FEBRUARY 09, 2026**

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 251.2	1. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez)	125.6	X			
	2. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA ()	125.6	X			X
SELLS 565.7	1. JANET B. ELEANDO ()	282.85	X			
	2. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Juan Buendia)	282.85	X			
SCHUK TOAK 195.3	1. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine)	97.65	X			
	2. DELISA M. RAMON (Quintin C. Lopez)	97.65	X			
SAN XAVIER 249.8	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ()	124.9	X			
	2. JANICE FELIX ()	124.9	X			
SAN LUCY 266.3	1. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eiler)	133.15		X		
	2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	133.15		X		
PISINEMO 240.3	1. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (<i>Absent</i>) (Nora J. Ruclas) (<i>Present</i>)	120.15	X			
	2. NAOMI MONTE (Edward D. Manuel)	120.15	X			
HICKIWAN 222.9	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega)	111.45	X			
	2. DELMA M. GARCIA ()	111.45		X		
GU VO 279.6	1. LESLIE LUNA ()	139.8	X			
	2. BENNETT CHEWING ()	139.8	X			X
GU ACHI 289.2	1. JEROME F. JOAQUIN (<i>Absent</i>) (Gloria Johnson) (<i>Present</i>)	144.6	X			
	2. LUCIUS E. LOPEZ (Victoria A. Hobbs)	144.6	X			
CHUKUT KUK 361.9	1. MARLAKAY HENRY ()	180.95				X
	2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (<i>Absent</i>) (Cornelius Antone) (<i>Present</i>)	180.95				X
BABOQUIVARI 398.9	1. JESSE NAVARRO ()	199.45	X			
	2. NED NORRIS, JR. (<i>Absent</i>) (Leander Mase) (<i>Present</i>)	199.45	X			X
TOTAL		3,321.1	2,581.45	377.75	-0-	361.9 [05]